

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1421 - SB 1442

March 14, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the \$50 cap on fines and the \$10.00 limitation on court costs on the penalty for texting while driving and changes the offense from a nonmoving traffic violation to a moving traffic violation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The average fine for a Class C misdemeanor will remain \$50 and the average additional court costs will remain \$10, resulting in no additional fine revenue.
- The awarding of driving points for violation of the texting while driving law will result in a limited number of additional driver's licenses suspension; however the average number of additional suspensions annually is estimated to be not significant.
- The Department of Safety confirms the provisions of the bill are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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